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This is a request for filing, under 37 CFR § 1.53(b), a(n):

Original (non-provisional) application.
 Divisional of prior application Serial No. __, filed on __.
 Continuation of prior application Serial No. __, filed on __.
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT/CALCULATION OF FEES

Please cancel claims __ without prejudice, and prior to calculating the fees. __ total claim(s), of which __ is(are) independent, is(are) pending after the amendment.
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 Small Entity Status is Requested

The Fees are Calculated as Follows:

Fee:	Number of Claims:	In Excess of:	Extra:	At Rate:	Amount:
Total Claims	35	20	15	\$18	\$270.00
Independent Claims	7	3	4	\$84	\$336.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE					
BASIC FEE					\$750.00
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS					\$1,356.00
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TOTAL					\$1,356.00

ENCLOSURES

- Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form (in duplicate) containing Certificate of Mailing By Express Mail Under 37 CFR 1.10.
- Return Postcard.

APPLICATION PAPERS

- Utility Patent Application, with: cover sheet, 43 page(s) specification (including 35 total claim(s), of which 7 is(are) independent, and 1 page(s) abstract).
- Drawings: 8 sheet(s) of formal drawings (15 total figure(s)).
- Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix).
- Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence, including (all are necessary): Computer Readable Copy, Paper Copy (identical to computer copy), and Statement verifying identity of copies.
- An Unsigned Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition Form.
- Copy of Executed Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition Form from prior application identified above.
- Certified Copy of priority document(s) identified as attached above.

ADDITIONAL PAPERS

- Assignment to __, Recordation Cover Sheet (Form PTO-1595)
- Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)
- Preliminary Amendment (to be entered prior to calculation of fees)
- Information Disclosure Statement, __ sheet(s) Form PTO-1449, __ U.S. Patent Reference(s), __ Foreign Patent Reference(s) and __ Other Reference(s)
- Other: __

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- A Check of __ for the filing fee.
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DEPOSIT ACCOUNT AUTHORIZATION

- Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-3000 in the amount of \$1356.00.
- The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-3000. A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.
- THE PAYMENT OF FEES IS BEING DEFERRED.

Respectfully Submitted,

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